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Independent photo by Bob Mytych

Belleville Bridge Walkers paused for a photo last Thursday after finishing their walks and before heading over to the Taste of Belleville at Horizon Park. Each walker received a signed certificate attesting to his feat. The Bridgewalk and Taste originally were set for Aug. 16, but was postponed because of a threatening storm.



Photo courtesy Janet Millard

The Bayou Grill won the trophy for the best booth at Friday's Taste of Belleville event. The Bayou also made the most money of all the booths at the Taste. From left are Chris Paqueno, Brian Copsey, Sarah Bardell, Paul Armstrong and Debra Coughlin. The 50/50 drawing for \$227 was won by Anna Loranger and she promptly donated \$20 to the Belleville Central Business Community, who put on the event. While a storm caused the original Taste and Walk to be postponed a week, last Thursday was a perfect day for a small-town festival and the crowds turned out to enjoy the event.

Hal Berriman returns to serve as Interim Police Chief in Belleville

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Former Belleville Police Chief Hal Berriman returned to his old office on Monday as interim chief until current Chief Gene Taylor returns from sick leave.

At the Aug. 20 meeting of the Belleville City Council, the council gave City Manager Diane Kollmeyer the authority to hire someone to fill in, on a part-time basis, for Chief Taylor.

Kollmeyer pointed out that Chief Taylor has been out on leave for eight weeks, at that point, and she doesn't know when he will be back.

She has been serving as police chief in his absence and she told the council, "I don't want to be a police chief."

She said the senior police officers, Cpls. Todd Schrecengost and Kris Faull, have been doing extra duties. Faull has been handling scheduling, making sure shifts are covered, and making sure everyone knows what's going on.

Kollmeyer said Schrecengost supplied her with statistical reports, the first such



Berriman

reports she has received. He also worked on scheduling training for the new officers and compiling a history of Charger police car repairs to be reviewed in advance of making a decision on what kind of new police car to get.

"They need direction and guidance, too, and so I propose we move forward on this," Kollmeyer said.

When asked if Schrecengost and Faull couldn't be appointed as interim chief, Kollmeyer said that was to be determined, but she didn't want to take any officers off the road.

Schrecengost said he is union president and so it makes it awkward for him to make executive decisions.

Berriman, a retired Detroit Police officer,
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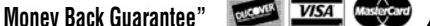
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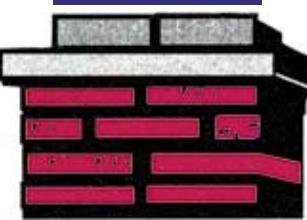
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VBT Planners OK final site plan for Hoosier co-gen plant on 5-2 vote

By Rosemary K. Oztman

Independent Editor

After more than two years of study and consideration, the Van Buren Township Planning Commission at its Aug. 22 meeting approved the final site plan for a landfill-gas-to-energy plant on a 1.5-acre site zoned Office Technology in the former Visteon Village campus.

Commissioners Dr. Carl Johnson and Ken Guenther cast no votes. At the Aug. 8 meeting, Dr. Johnson had again voiced concerns about the safety of the chemical compounds that will be coming out of the exhaust stacks.

An attorney's opinion was that the air quality is regulated by the State of Michigan and is outside of the authority of the planning commission.

Voting in favor of the final site plan were Chairwoman Carol Thompson, Township Treasurer Sharry Budd, and Commissioners Bob McKenna, Bryon Kelley, and Donald Boynton.

Commissioners also approved a tree removal permit for the project.

There will be no tree removal at the site or groundbreaking for the building until 14 stipulations are met, according to Thompson.

The project will pipe in landfill gas from Waste Management's Woodland Meadows landfill north of Ecorse Road to the site of the electrical generating plant on the west side of the former Visteon Village (now called Grace Lake Corporate Center and no longer owned by Visteon).

After the meeting, attorney Thomas Stoepker and Ameresco/Hoosier representative Jeff Stander told the *Independent* that they had hoped to begin building the facility by Nov. 2 when their state permit runs out, but now it won't be until next year.

Stander pointed out they had a lot of stipulations to meet before they can proceed, including getting the township board to vacate the head of a county drain, getting final site plan approval for the DTE substation needed to connect to the power grid, and preparing an appropriate emergency response plan. They also have to apply for a new MDEQ permit for air quality.

In a repeat of the Aug. 8 meeting, Thompson had to call VBT Police officers during the Aug. 22 meeting to stand by in the meeting room to keep the peace, as project opponents John Delaney and Reg Ion disregarded her orders to stop talking during inappropriate times in the meeting.

Thompson recessed the meeting and called police on her cell phone. After Lt.

Bart DeVos was in the room, she resumed the meeting. There were two more officers in the hallway.

Dr. Johnson said there still were a number of outstanding issues and he would like to track the progress of the drain abandonment, the ITC easement paperwork, the DTE facility approval. Director of Planning and Economic Development Terry Carroll said he would give monthly reports to the commission on the progress of the project.

Delaney had threatened a law suit if the project was approved and mentioned it again at the meeting. The neighbors had chipped in to hire an attorney, fearing toxic fumes from the stacks and loss of property value. They charged that the township did not follow its own ordinances and a manufacturing facility with smokestacks was forbidden from the Office Technology zoning, which was intended as an office building campus.

"There is going to be a law suit," Delaney said. "We're David and they're Goliath and you know how that came out."

Neighbors voiced their disappointment with the commission, charging they turned their backs on the community's concerns.

Ernie Tozer, a neighbor to the project and outspoken critic, referred to the motion passed by the Board of Trustees the evening before where a majority voted to ask the planners to postpone voting on the final site plan until the board could meet with the planners to get details of the project.

At the beginning of the Aug. 22 meeting, chairwoman Thompson said while the commission is always happy to share information, the township board asking the commission to postpone a vote, "is not within the legal purview of the township board."

Tozer said the township board, after getting additional information, may have decided to rescind its special land-use approval for the project that it gave last year.

"They asked for a couple of weeks, after a couple of years," Tozer said, adding that obviously the board representative (Budd) does not talk to the board and pass on information from the commission. Tozer said he talked to the supervisor and he didn't have a clue about what was going on at the commission.

"You could have given them that courtesy ... it was a more professional thing to do," Tozer lamented, referring to the postponement of the vote.

Township Trustees Al Ostrowski and Denise Partridge were present in the audience and spoke on behalf of the township board's request to postpone the vote in order to get more information.



Taking part in the Aug. 21 "Bring Our Boys Home" benefit at the Romulus VFW Hall, were these volunteers dressed as Civil War soldiers. From left are George Craven, Ray Lopez, Tony Kmet, Bob Williams, Johnny Rose, Terry Alexander, Fred Wheatley, and Mike Santamour. The event was to raise money to pay for the Civil War pension records in the National Archives for about 200 residents of the Belleville, Van Buren, and Sumpter area that went to war. Ginger and Keith Bruder are working to preserve the historical records of these local soldiers. An Adopt-a-Soldier Campaign is under way, with donations of \$10 or more. For more information call the Bruders at 734-461-2498.

Special primary election is Wed., Sept. 5, for Belleville, VBT Twp.

By Rosemary K. Oztman

Independent Editor

A last-minute, special primary election is being held Wednesday, Sept. 5, in the current 11th Congressional District, which includes the City of Belleville and Van Buren Township.

The election is being held to fill the seat formerly held by Republican Thaddeus McCotter, who resigned before his term was up.

The winners of the special primary will compete in the special general election, coinciding with the regular general election Nov. 7. The winner of that special general election will take the seat when the results are certified and participate in the lame duck session of Congress, which ends Jan. 2, 2013.

District 11 was moved and so the local communities who vote Sept. 5 and Nov. 7 for the lame duck session, won't be voting on the full term. Other voters in the new 11th District will vote on the full term for McCotter's old seat.

Republicans running in the Sept. 5 election, for a term that is just a few weeks long, are:

- Kerry Bentivolio
- Nancy Cassis
- Kenneth Crider
- Carolyn Kavanagh
- Steve King

The only Democrat on the ballot is David A. Curson of Van Buren Township.

The regular general election, for the new 11th District, of which voters in Belleville and Van Buren Township are not a part

will feature: Republican Kerry Bentivolio of Milford and Democrat Dr. Syed Taj of Canton.

Lincoln Railsplitters spoil Tigers' football new home opener

By Bob Mytych

Independent Sports Editor

From the pristine artificial field to the shiny new grandstands, everything was perfect on Friday. Even the air gave off a new stadium smell. The Belleville Tigers played their first home game in two years and lost to the Lincoln Railsplitters, 34-21 in the season opener. The Tigers came out with a case of opening night nerves and committed a handful of penalties and turnovers in the opening quarter resulting in a 20-point deficit after one.

Shaquille Mobley kick-started the offense with a pair of touchdowns from inside the five-yard line on two possessions, which got the Tigers to within six points with less than five minutes remaining in the third quarter.

From there, the Railsplitters pounced on a botched snap by the Tigers and ran it back deep in Lincoln territory. They capped off the turnover with a six-yard rush to pad the lead to 32-14 with seven minutes to go.

Belleville's final scoring drive came from a 34-yard screen pass from quarterback Drew Letwinski to LaDale Combs on what ended up being the final play of the game that made it 34-21.

OPINIONS

Editorial

CATS: Most recent flap puts spotlight on Van Buren Twp.

On Monday, local people commented on seeing a TV news crew heading south on Sumpter Road from 5 Points. Probably the child's drowning in Sumpter, some guessed. Or, the Girlstown name-change, ribbon-cutting at noon. (Nope, they were heading in the wrong direction.)

It all became clear on Monday's 5 o'clock news on Channel 7. VBT's most recent claim to fame for SE Michigan media was: The abundance of cats in a trailer park. And, someone's project to wipe them out by gun, knife, and poison.

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue has a trap, neuter and release program, which reduces cat populations humanely by attrition. FMAR received a grant for that program at one point. It is offered free when feral cats are a problem.

But, sometimes property owners are reluctant to have FMAR trap their strays. In a Belleville city neighborhood around the mill, last year, residents were overrun with cats. The mill owner refused FMAR's trap program. Citizens were seen trying to run over stray cats – even going onto lawns to follow them. It gets mean.

FMAR is waiting for word from the park owner on whether they can begin trapping. Meanwhile, soft-hearted park residents are feeding the strays, taking them to the vet, and holding them as they die. A cat-hater – or two – is trying to kill them all off. VBT Police and Animal Control have to get involved because this is animal cruelty.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Oztman

There won't be any recount of the Van Buren Township supervisor's election until after the Sept. 5 election, we are told.

VBT Deputy Clerk Kathy Cline said a Wayne County Elections representative was out last week to get everything in order for the Sept. 5 election and stated that all the Wayne County recounts were approved. But, since there is a Wayne County state representative's position (not involving VBT), the scheduling has to go to the state first. Stay tuned.

The Bridgewalk and Taste of Belleville last Thursday was very nice, but Mary Talaga collapsed into a chair at the Taste because she was very dizzy. She didn't fall, thank goodness.

She was at once surrounded by Belleville fire fighters, which had friendly, familiar faces, since Mary's husband Tony had once been fire chief.

HVA got her in a wheelchair and whisked her off to St. Joe. Those at the scene thought it was the heat, but it turned out her pacemaker needed adjusting.

She got out of the hospital on Friday, just in time to help her daughter with the garage sale at Mary's house on Saturday.

Mary has been a school crossing guard at Edgemont Elementary School for more than 35 years, so many people know and love her.

A story in the Aug. 20 issue of *Crain's Detroit Business* tells of the ouster of Visteon's CEO Donald Stebbins and the sad story of Visteon's woes. The final paragraph was a quote from an unnamed source speculating that Visteon has to be considering a breakup of the company.

Visteon world headquarters was built in



2004 at a cost of some \$300 million on an 889,000-square-foot campus in Van Buren Township. Stebbins will get a \$12.7 million severance payment and his replacement a \$500,000 signing bonus.

A few weeks ago, we wrote about two dead bluejays in Sumpter Township and getting information on West Nile Virus.

On Tuesday, VBT Police sent out a Nixle alert warning people to wear long sleeves and take other precautions to keep from getting bit by mosquitoes since there have been 50 human cases of West Nile Virus reported in Southeastern Michigan, so far, including one death. The West Nile Information line is 734-544-6750.

Nancy Kovalak of Sumpter went out for the garage sales over the weekend along Huron River Drive. She got several good bargains, but when she stopped at another place, someone stole all her sale items from her car. She would like her diabetic meter back, as well as her earrings. You can leave them at the *Independent* office for her to pick up.

The letter from a Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue volunteer concerning the cats being tortured and killed in a mobile home park was received by us late last week. (The letter writer didn't identify the location, but it turned out to be Van Buren Estates mobile home park on Lohr Road.)

After I learned there was yet another cat

killing on Friday, I alerted VBT animal lovers to the problem and, over the week end, things began happening.

VBT Trustee Al Ostrowski, who is an animal control officer in Dearborn, visited the park and talked to people there. Then, he called his television contacts and by Monday morning there was a TV crew at the park, also talking to residents.

The story was on Channel 7's news show at 5 p.m. Monday.

A quote from the park manager said they called VBT and other agencies three weeks ago and were frustrated by a lack of action. VBT Public Safety Director Carl McClanahan reportedly told TV-7 on Monday that he just learned about how big the problem is and police will investigate.

The TV report shows people talking about the 29 dead cats which have been shot, knifed and poisoned by an unknown person, whom they would like to find. Some cats have been skinned. There are park residents who are feeding the starving cats and paying vet bills, out of compassion.

FMAR is waiting for word from the park's owner as to whether they can start the program they offered that traps, neuters, and releases the cats into their old colonies, without charge to the park owner. This would end the colony growth.



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Letters

Cats tortured, killed underscore problem

To the Editor:

It is a known fact that people who do harm to animals are more likely to do harm to humans as well. When I learned of a local community finding their outside cats tortured and killed it saddened me.

My sadness escalated when I discovered that the local animal control was called and the cat's caregiver was told that if it was a cat, there was nothing they could do. A cat, just like any pet, is a living, breathing, being that deserves a chance at life they didn't ask to be born into.

Cruelty is wrong, and should always be investigated. This incident made me realize that if people were educated about the positive rewards of keeping stray cats fed and altered, this tragedy may have been prevented.

It all comes down to pet owners being responsible about spaying and neutering. Unless the day comes where city and state ordinances have laws that make it mandatory to alter pets not licensed for breeding, the problem will continue to escalate.

The process simply starts with a food source, such as, a dumpster, garbage can, or a friendly human feeling sorry for a starving kitty, to have a cat hanging around.

If this cat happens to be female, she is capable of producing four litters a year. If she had an average of five kittens, that would make 20 kittens a year. Now let's take a step further and figure if each one of those kittens produced 20 kittens, we

are now at 100 more. Well, you get the picture.

Killing, euthanizing, or dropping them off in the country somewhere, does not get rid of the problem. It actually has the opposite effect and opens the door for more to come.

Research has found that the only way to solve this problem is to trap, neuter and release. (The short term for this is TNR.) Some people will say, "I don't want those cats back here." However, it's imperative that they come back to their original home for several reasons including a lack of space and resources in our local shelters.

Altered cats tend to be territorial, and therefore are more likely to keep new ones away. When fed on a daily basis, they become less visible in yards and the streets. Odors go away from dominant males spraying, and the best part is they keep the mice and rat population down.

It's a win-win situation if you have caregivers who feed outdoor cats on a daily basis. The feeders can watch for newcomers that haven't been spayed or neutered then contact a local TNR program, ensuring all of the cats in the colony are altered before they begin to multiply again.

There are plenty of affordable ways to help colony caregivers, including asking for help from your local animal rescue organizations. Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue (FMAR) is located in Belleville and is one resource you can call for help with TNR.

Their TNR program includes loaning out traps, transporting the animals to and from the vet and back to their caregivers after surgery. A donation includes spay/neuter, a rabies and parasite injection. FMAR is also looking for barn buddies, and trappers. If you are interested, please call (734) 461-9458 for more information on how you can be part of the solution for these helpless cats.

If manufactured home communities, condos, and local businesses would partner with local TNR programs to become part of the long term solution, we could begin to get a handle on this out-of-control problem.

Kathi Tincher

FMAR Volunteer, concerned citizen, and voice for the animals who can't speak for themselves

Editor's Note: The cats that were killed — some 29 at last count — were in Van Buren Township.

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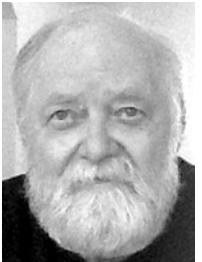
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Obituaries



Sharkiya Yono



Eugene E. Nota

**EUGENE E. NOTA**

(August 24, 1935 - August 26, 2012)
 Eugene Edward Nota, age 77, of Belleville, MI, passed away Sunday, August 26, 2012 in Manistee, MI. He was born August 24, 1935 in Ecorse, MI, son of the late Sophia (Boguszewski) Nota.

Eugene graduated from Belleville High School in 1953. He went on to proudly serve his country in the U.S. Army in 1955 and served in Korea. He was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville. He retired from the Ford Motor Company Rawsonville Road plant in 2000 after 43 years of loyal service. He was a devoted family man and the best dad and grandpa. He enjoyed casinos and Northern Michigan.

Mr. Nota is survived by three children, Pamela (Ron) Stokes, Sandra (Tom) Tinsley, and Kevin Nota, all of Belleville; 4 grandchildren, Stephanie Nota, Jaclyn (Evan) Hofman, Steven Tinsley, and Samantha Nota; a sister, Delores Mahood; two brothers-in-law, George Ahearn and Dave (Connie) Furtaw; a sister-in-law, Beth Kelsey; also, numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, his wife Janet Marie (Furtaw) Nota on January 12, 2008,

SHARKIYA YONO

(March 19, 1930 - August 23, 2012)
 Sarkiya Mary Yono, 82, of Belleville passed away August 23, 2012.

Mrs. Yono was predeceased by her husband Putros and their son Albert Yono. Surviving are their children Byron, Freddy, Jimmy, Arlene, Ann, and their spouses; also their grandchildren.

Visitation was at the Southfield Funeral Home — Yono Chapel on August 27. Services were held August 28 at 10 a.m. at Mother of God Church in Southfield. Interment followed at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

REUBEN HENRY BUSH

(June 17, 1940 - August 19, 2012)
 Age 72 of Belleville. Survived by six children: Mary (Frank) Maxell, Shawn (Aaron) Berkley, Russell, Kevin and Kelly Bush, and Cassandra Carson; and 18 grandchildren. Preceded in death by his eldest daughter, Dawn Coy.

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a sister Eleanor Ahearn, also, two brothers, Andrew and Richard Nota.

Visitation was Tuesday, August 28, 2012, with a 7:30 PM Scripture Service. Closing Prayers were at 9:15 AM Wednesday, August 29, 2012 at the David C. Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, processing to St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, for a 10 AM Funeral Mass.

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Aug. 2 – Tina Pyzik
Aug. 30 – Marcellus Matthews

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Obituaries

Rebecca "Ruby" Moore

REBECCA 'RUBY' MOORE
(September 25, 1919 - August 27, 2012)
Rebecca "Ruby" Moore, 92, of Willis, died August 27, 2012 at Arbor Hospice-The Residence, Ann Arbor. Born September 25, 1919 in Northern Ireland, daughter of the late John & Mary (Parker) Dane. Ruby was a member of the Lincoln Community United Methodist Church, Ypsilanti. She is survived by 4 children Mary Joyce (Robert) Erickson of Whitmore Lake, E. John (Judy) Moore of Eagle, MI, Lorna (William) Ramsay of Tarascon, France, and Kenneth (Nancy) Moore of Carmel, IN; 5 grandsons; 2 granddaughters; 11 great-grandchildren; 4 siblings Olive and Dinah Dane, Elizabeth Lilly Dane, and George Robert (Betty) Dane, all of Florida; nieces, nephews & friends. Preceded in death by her husband of 70 years Ernest Moore in 2011, a brother Albert Dane, also a sister Emily Dane Greenway. Visitation will be 2-8 PM Monday, September 3, with a 10 AM Funeral Tuesday, September 4, at the Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. Interment will be in Union-Udell Cemetery, Ypsilanti. Memorial contributions to Lincoln Community UMC appreciated. Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

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- Monday, Sept. 3 – Labor Day
- Tuesday, Sept. 4 – Van Buren Township Board of Trustees meetings cancelled for today. Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 5 – Van Buren Township Planning Staff Review, 1-4 p.m. Also, VBT Public Safety Committee, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 10 – Van Buren Public

Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building

- Tuesday, Sept. 11 – Van Buren Township September Days Senior Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, VBT LDFA, 2 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., followed by regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m.
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Auctioneer's Note: Judge Zaborowski served on the bench for many years. Before that he spent his career as a well respected attorney. Judge Zaborowski and his wife collected many things while traveling over the years and now the Zaborowski family has commissioned Rollo A. Juckette and Brad Neuhart to sell it all at public auction. Do not miss this sale as there are some great antiques. Bring a friend running 2 auction rings. See you there.

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• **Sunday, September 2** – Bugles Across America, 7:15 p.m., at Veterans Memorial on High Street, Belleville, to honor the military, past and present.

• **Monday, September 3** – Cruisin' on the Bayou car show on Main Street in Belleville, 6-9 p.m.

• **Tuesday, September 4** – Tuesday's Cruisin' the Belleville Moose, 6-9 p.m., music, food, drinks every Tuesday, 831 E. Huron River Dr.

• **Wednesday, September 5** – Get to the polls. Special Election to select candidates to run for U.S. Congress to fill the last few weeks of the seat vacated by Thaddeus McCotter.

• **Sunday, September 9** – Third-annual Sumpter Township Fire Department Chicken Broil at the fire hall, 20550 Sumpter Rd. Runs from noon to 5 p.m. Cost: \$9 per person for half chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw, dinner roll, beverage

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Marcellus Matthews receives three identical birthday cards

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Marcellus Matthews of Van Buren Township was honored with a party on July 30 to celebrate her upcoming 89th birthday on Aug. 30.

Her niece Mildred Baker of Belleville put on a luncheon at her Clarence Street home and Marcellus' sister-in-law Betty Sears made the cake.

When Marcellus opened her birthday cards, she was amazed and delighted. Three cards were exactly the same.

Three nieces had selected the same bright purple and yellow card that read: "Aunt, hope your birthday's a memory-making, smile-bringing, special kind of a day. Enjoy every minute of it."

Those attending the party and giving the cards to their aunt were: Mildred Baker of Belleville, Betty Roland of Arkansas, and Georgiana Frye of Westland.

Part of the entertainment that day was wondering about the identical cards.

Marcellus has lived in the same home on Savage Road for 65 years. The land was part of the 80 acres her parents purchased as a place to raise their 15 children.

Marcellus was a real estate agent with her sister Dorothy Schneider for 17 years. She also worked at the Fred C. Fischer Library for 11 years, retiring June 28, 2011.



Marcellus Matthews was bemused and delighted when she received three identical birthday cards for her 89th birthday party celebration. The cards came from her nieces who live in Arkansas, Westland and Belleville.

She said she was home for two weeks and decided, "Retirement is not for me." Now she works as a part-time volunteer at September Days Senior Center, making sure everyone signs in.

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Drivers: New Pay Package & Benefits. Newer Equipment. CDL-A 3 yrs. Exp. 888-784-8859

8/30

Drivers: Change Gears! It's YOUR Future! Home Daily! Sign-On-Bonus. Great Miles, Money, Hometime. CDL-A, 1 yr. exp. MTS: 800-748-0192 x208 & x214.

8/30

NEED IMMEDIATELY - HOME Health Care Aids needed for the Belleville & surrounding areas. (734) 697-0888

8/30

LOCAL RESTORATION SHOP currently looking for a experienced auto body technician. (734) 587-3597

9/13

HELP WANTED

DENTAL ASSISTANT NEEDED part time (2-3 days per week) to assist the doctor at chair side. Experience helpful but willing to train the right person. Please fax resume to (734) 697-4946 or mail to 152 Main St. Suite 7, Belleville, MI 48111.

TFN

THE BELLEVILLE INDEPENDENT NOW ACCEPTS CREDIT CARDS!

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HELP WANTED

Paraprofessional Health Aide for two male students at the High School. Male attendant required. Responsible for receiving appropriate training in the specific care of student's physical and medical needs while attending school; Responsible for the implementation of those physical and medical needs as prescribed in the training (which may include toileting); Must assist with wheelchair transfers; Must supervise student while in school and during any outside activities as directed by the supervising teacher; Must assist student during any medical emergency that may arise; Other related duties as assigned. Must have an Associate's Degree or equivalent or a passing grade on the Work Keys test.

First 90 calendar days, probationary rate of \$8.50 per hour. After 90 calendar days, will be placed on permanent status at \$9.65 per hour. Please contact Van Buren Public Schools Human Resources at 734-697-1016 if interested.

HELP WANTED

INDEPENDENT CLASSIFIED ADS

GARAGE/YARD SALE

YARD SALE - 11550 WILSON AVE. Aug. 24-26, 9-3 p.m. Aug. 31-Sept. 1, 9-3 p.m. Household items, Dressers, Kitchen table & chairs, Name brand clothing (women's 8-10, JR's 0-2, Kids 7-14, Toys. 8/30

HUGE YARD SALE - 10850 Borgman, 1 block W. of Quirk Rd. off I-94 N. Service Dr. Sept 1-2, 8-6 p.m. Cash Only. No Early Sales. Fishing, Furniture, misc. 8/30

YARD SALE - 43925 BURTRIG RD. off Martinsville Rd. Aug. 31, 10-6 p.m., Sept. 1-2, 9-6 p.m. May be our last one of year. Still have a lot of some things & a little of nothing. Have lots of fabric. Please help - We want it all gone. 8/30

388 DAKOTA, Ypsilanti. Aug. 30 - Sept. 1, 9-6 p.m. CD's, DVD's, Videos, Time Life books, Some craft items, Salt & Pepper sets, Clothes, Bicycles, Old Comic books, misc. 8/30

YARD SALE - 5681 Oakville/Waltz Rd. New Boston. Sept 14-15, 9-5 p.m. Men's clothing (M-L) & Shoes (9½ - 10), Household items, Tools, misc. Something For Everyone. Also Fresh fruit pies & Cookies. 9/13

YARD SALE - 40309 ALDEN RD, Belleville. Sept. 8-9, 9-4 p.m. Chop Saw, Chain Saw, Torches, Slot Machine & Much More. 9/06

FOR SALE

Walk-In Spa Bath, \$2,000. Farm Disc., \$200. (734) 699-3860 8/30

INDIANA SOUTHWIND 24' round above ground pool. 4 yrs. old, used very little. Must see before I put it to bed for winter. \$1250 obo You dismantle & haul. (734) 778-3245 Terri 8/30

40 GAL. RATCHET TYPE FRUIT Press for grapes or apples. Make Wine, Cider or Apple Jack. \$250 (734) 699-8498 9/06

WALNUT COLORED Baby bed w/ bumper pads & mattress, \$100. Rosewood Square Grand Piano late 1800's, carved legs, \$1500. Free 60" TV, works. (734) 497-1203 9/06

DIESEL TRACTOR w/60" belly mower, runs good, \$2400. 1986 Polaris 440 snowmobile, \$400. (734) 604-2239 9/06

FULL SIZE SOFA w/dual recliner & matching chair recliner. Good condition, Neutral upholstery. \$50 both (734) 787-0062 9/13

FOR SALE

FISHER PRICE GEO TRACKS, Lots of Track, Trains & Buildings. Great condition. \$200 obo (734) 260-6017 9/13

KOOL SEATZ 6 seater athletic bench, Soccer cones and (2) size 5 soccer balls. All for \$65. (734) 260-6017 9/13

VEHICLE FOR SALE

C.T.S. AUTO Engines, Transmissions Discount Prices - Guaranteed! (734) 282-1700 TFN

2001 CHEVY HYTOP VAN, wheelchair accessible, \$15,000. (4) Firestone tires, P235/60/R17, \$400. (734) 699-3860 8/30

FREE

MICHELLE GURNEY - Harmony Lane YOU'VE Won a dozen free roses. Pick them up at Main St. Flower's downtown, Belleville. (734) 697-7400 or www.mainstreetflowersbelleville.com TFN

BELLEVILLE CHURCH of GOD Food Pantry is giving away donated food. Some meat & canned goods. Every 1st. and 3rd. Thursday of the month. What do you need! Call 1 day ahead. (734) 697-0921 or (734) 697-1142 TFN

LOST

MALE BLACK/GREY CAT. Circles of stripes, nipped ear, grey eyes. Lost near Pet Resort, Bemis & Rawsonville Rds. Two weeks ago. (734) 753-5232 9/13

FOUND

FEMALE GRAY/WHITE KITTEN, approx. 3-4 mos. old. Vicinity Willis Rd. in Sumpter. (734) 363-7868 8/30

WANTED

ST.VINCENT DePAUL is in need of your CLEAN in Working Condition useable stoves, refrigerators, washers & dryers. For needy families in Belleville, Van Buren & Sumpter areas. (734) 461-2763 TFN

WANTED - ANY SIZE MEN'S JEANS for the homeless. Please drop off at Bladez's 601 E. Huron River Drive. (734) 697-5600 TFN

WANTED - SMALL CONTAINERS of Shampoo, Toothpaste, etc. to take to homeless in Detroit. Drop off at Bladez's, 601 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 697-5600 TFN

FEMALE ROOMMATE wanted. Non-smoker, help with rent & utilities. (734) 772-2019 Kim 9/06

WANTED

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Lawn Cutting - Spring Clean-Up - Aerating - Mulch - Shrub Trimming - Pruning - Brick Pavers & De-thatching. (734) 587-2410 or (734) 693-4712 9/27

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SERVICES

GERRY'S SMALL REPAIR (734) 461-0158

ENGINE 9/27

FOR RENT

UP SCALE in Belleville. Newly decorated, Paint & Flooring. 2 BR, 1 bath home. All appliances, low maintenance. \$875/mo. plus security. (734) 751-7320

HOME FOR RENT, ROMULUS Area. 2 BR. Plus. \$800/mo. (734) 417-7759

1 & 2 BR. APTS. Corner of 5th & Liberty St. Includes heat & water. 1 yr lease. Must have good credit. No Pets. 1 BR. \$575/mo. 2 BR. \$595/mo. plus security. (734) 945-2409

BEAUTIFUL 2 BR. APT. in country setting. Newly renovated. All appliances included. Fenced yard w/shed. \$675/mo. plus security. (734) 796-3033

SPACIOUS 3 BR. TOWNHOUSE. ALL APPLIANCES INCLUDED. Full basement, C/A, Walking distance from Downtown Belleville. \$899/mo. plus security. (734) 796-3033

1 BR. HOUSE, Belleville area. No Pets. Ideal for mature couple. \$650/mo. plus security deposit. (734) 697-8984

City Council

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served about five years as Belleville Police Chief before leaving in 1999.

In other business at the Aug. 20 meeting, the council:

- Took "under advisement" the letter from the Belleville Area District Library Board asking for a city "negotiating team" to be set up to meet with a committee from the library over the request for a transfer or donation of land as part of a possible building site. The council said it would review and consider the letter, but it needed more specifics. Library Board Chairman Mary Jane Dawson said she hopes they will all attend the 7 p.m., Sept. 26 meeting with the library space expert who will explain why they need the size library they are seeking;

- Opened three sealed bids for city engineering services and turned the bid packages over to the administration to study and make a recommendation. Bids came from Stantec, Hennessey Engineers, and Spicer Group;

- Approved Mayor Kerreen Conley's appointment of Rosemary Loria to the Downtown Development Authority to replace Mike Colletta, who has resigned. The term will expire Dec. 31, 2013.

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

The following are selected runs for VBT Police. For more detailed police logs, see www.bellevilleareaindependent.com.

Sunday, Aug. 19:

- 0026 – assault & battery, 10895 Oak Lane
- 0111 – disturbance, 46 Rose
- 0121 – noise complaint, 48711 Denton Rd.
- 0211 – assault & battery, 45322 Ecorse Rd.
- 0232 – assault & battery, Comfort Inn
- 0256 – assault & battery, 45322 Ecorse Rd.
- 1047 – larceny, 16280 Martinsville Rd.
- 1145 – trespassing, Belleville Bridge
- 1235 – personal injury accident, Van Born / Belleville
- 1239 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born
- 1243 – assault & battery, 9878 Wheeler St.
- 1250 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville/ W. Huron River Dr.
- 1427 – assault & battery, 11570 Beckley Rd.
- 1732 – disorderly conduct, 765 E. Huron River Dr.
- 1747 – marine violation, 4651 Rawsonville
- 1810 – assault & battery, 51207 Sylvia Dr.
- 1808 – larceny, 11775 Meadows Cir.
- 1847 – juvenile complaint, 41450 E. Archwood
- 1949 – private property accident, Walmart
- 2001 – disturbance, 8800 Parkwood Manor
- 2029 – sexual assault, 9 Oak Blvd.
- 2104 – harassment call, 6049 Vernon St.
- 2258 – malicious destruction of property, Meijer

Monday, Aug. 20:

- 0216 – intimidation threat, 46000 Lake Villa Dr.
- 0434 – disturbance, 9041 Parkwood Dr.
- 0817 – malicious destruction of property, 7841 Haggerty Rd.
- 1337 – intimidation threat, 9185 Parkwood Dr.
- 1447 – larceny, 45221 Harmony Lane
- 1518 – trespassing, Sheldon/Ecorse
- 1624 – private property accident, French Landing Party Store
- 1643 – private property accident, 401 Sumpter
- 1654 – mental, 9855 Andover Dr.
- 1805 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1856 – fraud, Meijer
- 1901 – fraud, Kmart
- 1920 – mental, 46171 Village Green Lane
- 2127 – larceny, 205 Henry
- 2314 – assault & battery, 6 Pine Dr.

Tuesday, Aug. 21:

- 0820 – property damage accident, Haggerty/E. Huron River Dr.
- 0819 – fraud, 8828 Parkwood Dr.
- 1022 – disturbance, 14090 Martinsville
- 1056 – private property accident, 9555 Haggerty Rd., WCCC
- 1220 – narcotics crime, 46425 Tyler Rd.
- 1229 – property damage accident, Belleville / N. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1356 – ATV/ORV complaint, Sadie Ln./Anna Dr.
- 1419 – harassment call, 9878 Wheeler St.
- 1630 – narcotics crime, 46425 Tyler Rd.
- 1834 – shots fired, Hull/Elwell
- 1859 – breaking & entering, 6534 Stoneybrook Ct.
- 2100 – assault & battery, 9855 Andover Dr.
- 2128 – fraud, Walmart
- 2133 – harassment call, 14 Maple Dr.
- 2216 – disturbance, 106 Maple Dr.
- 2221 – harassment call, 2309 Westlake

Wednesday, Aug. 22:

- 0013 – juvenile complaint, 35 Maple Dr.
- 0045 – noise complaint, 9676 Sawgrass Ct.
- 1013 – private property accident, 287 Industrial
- 1328 – harassment call, 41119 Woodbury
- 1339 – personal injury accident, Haggerty/Tyler
- 1346 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Bemis
- 1409 – larceny from auto, 41455 S. Bellridge Dr.
- 1428 – private property accident, 9800 Belleville
- 1617 – property damage accident, Grove / Rawsonville
- 1654 – sexual assault, 48551 S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1716 – malicious destruction of property, 48051 S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1742 – narcotics crime, 46425 Tyler Rd.
- 1810 – property damage accident, Walmart
- 1834 – assault & battery, 11700 Belleville
- 1941 – property damage accident, 11150 Oak Lane
- 2007 – violation public health code / violation controlled substance act
- 2036 – abandoned auto, Van Buren Park
- 2050 – disturbance, Walmart
- 2304 – assault & battery, 8865 Parkwood Dr.
- 2314 – assault & battery, 8856 Parkwood Dr.
- 2310 – assault & battery, 46070 Lake Villa Dr.
- 2353 – fraud, Meijer

Thursday, Aug. 23:

- 0058 – disturbance, 49251 S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 0415 – suicide or attempt, 41500 Belleville
- 0826 – larceny, Walmart
- 0916 – suspicious person, 8107 Kirkridge Park Dr.
- 1018 – narcotics crime, 355 Cranberry
- 1033 – larceny, 51207 Sylvia Dr.
- 1224 – private property accident, 42350 Van Born
- 1302 – juvenile complaint, Sadie Lane/Anna Dr.
- 1330 – private property accident, 45400 Hull Rd.
- 1429 – fire investigation, 178 Belle Villa
- 1554 – property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275
- 1619 – malicious destruction of property, 11701 Meadows Lane

- 1714 – missing person, 12921 Lake Pointe Pass
- 1831 – intimidation threat, 47102 Lauren Ct.
- 1832 – juvenile complaint, Tyler/Hickory Woods
- 1841 – assault & battery, 42233 McBride
- 2013 – suicide or attempt, 13950 Haggerty Rd.
- 2056 – malicious destruction of property, 10667 Oak Lane
- 2112 – shots fired, 6245 Truman Ave.
- 2119 – fight, Bemis/Martinsville
- 2123 – harassment call, 8 Pine Dr.
- 2227 – suspicious person, 13950 Haggerty
- 2248 – assault & battery, 45322 Ecorse Rd.
- 2331 – fight, 8800 Parkwood Manor

Friday, Aug. 24:

- 0019 – missing person, 15615 Martinsville
- 0715 – larceny, 44518 Ecorse Rd.
- 1004 – larceny from auto, 11100 Lighthouse Dr.
- 1029 – ordinance violation, 9894 Belleville Rd.
- 1042 – suspicious situation, 16130 Hoeft Rd.
- 1047 – domestic violence, 6605 Edwards Rd.
- 1109 – larceny, 45000 Van Born Rd.
- 1148 – larceny from auto, 41472 W. Archwood Dr.
- 1213 – mental, 43977 Crowley Ave.
- 1228 – malicious destruction of property, 41482 Archwood

- 1406 – trespassing, 15615 Martinsville Rd.
- 1542 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 46161 Village Green Ln.
- 1633 – malicious destruction of property, 11100 Lighthouse Dr.
- 1640 – ATV/ORV complaint, 17900 Woodland
- 1658 – larceny from auto, 10860 Lighthouse Dr.
- 1731 – narcotics crime, 51300 Michigan Ave.
- 1741 – property damage accident, Haggerty/ S. I-94 Service Dr.

- 2153 – agency assist, 501 W. Columbia, BHS
- 2255 – violation public health code/violation controlled substance act, 45707 S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1057 – found property, 6 Main St.
- 1058 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
- 1223 – follow up, 6 Main St.
- 1430 – assist fire dept., 178 Belle Villa
- 1435 – E-911 cellular, 178 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 2123 – domestic assault, 101 Carmell St.
- 2144 – welfare check, 470 E. Waterbury Ct.
- 2224 – loud party complaint, 430 Robbe St.
- 2344 – assist fire dept., 661 Greylock St.

- 1059 – misc. complaint, 178 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 0722 – misc. complaint, 61 Carmell St.
- 0938 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
- 0950 – suspicious situation, 113 Carmell St.
- 1036 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
- 1229 – private property accident, A&W
- 1238 – assist fire dept., 14 Santa Clara St.
- 1557 – suspicious person, 7 South St.
- 1716 – larceny, 110 Biggs Ave.
- 1803 – intrusion alarm, 835 Sumpter Rd.
- 1942 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
- 2007 – intrusion alarm, 501 W. Columbia, BHS
- 2030 – assist fire dept., 4 Menlo Park Dr.
- 2035 – property damage accident, BHS
- 2124 – information, 573 E. Thornhill Ct.
- 2130 – property damage accident, BHS
- 0111 – motorist assist, High/Church
- 0124 – suspicious person, Victory Park
- 0339 – abandoned auto, 201 Henry St.
- 2153 – breaking & entering, 169 Second St.
- 1208 – civil matter, 6 Main St.
- 1211 – civil matter, 6 Main St.
- 1314 – mental, 54 Biggs St.
- 1317 – suspicious situation, 209 Charles Ct.
- 1635 – suspicious person, 644 Huron River Dr.
- 1852 – intimidation threat, 208 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 2139 – suspicious person, Village Park
- 2234 – suspicious vehicle, Victory Park
- 2236 – assist citizen, 6 Main
- 1809 – fire dept. assist, Arkona/Karr
- 2042 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 2150 – fire dept. assist, Willis/Rawsonville
- 2315 – citizen assist, Montana

- 2251 – noise complaint, 584 E. Thornhill Ct.
- Also on this week's log are 220 traffic stops, 29 of which were on I-94.
- Also on this week's log are 15 traffic stops.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 19:

- 0044 – parking complaint, 136 Carmell St.
- 0243 – agency assist, 47427 Bemis
- 1411 – follow up, 275 E. Columbia Ave.
- 1635 – traffic complaint, Main/W. Columbia Ave.
- 1739 – agency assist, 765 E. Huron River Dr.
- 1741 – noise complaint, 356 Oxford Ct.
- 1931 – follow-up, 356 Oxford Ct.
- 1959 – assist fire dept., 178 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 2112 – civil matter, 6 Main St.
- 2234 – follow up, 239 Anaheim
- 2335 – vehicle lockout, 193 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 2349 – assist fire dept., 255 Victorian Ln.

Monday, Aug. 20:

- 0007 – E-911 hangup/investigation, 584 Main St.
- 0010 – E-911 hangup/investigation, 548 Main St.
- 0155 – assist fire dept., 6 Main
- 0248 – warrant arrest, 46000 Lake Villa
- 1009 – larceny, 271 Henry St.
- 1032 – background investigation, 6 Main St.
- 1150 – property damage accident, Belleville / Denton
- 1424 – domestic assault, 226 S. Aberdeen Ct.
- 1551 – property damage accident, Main/Second
- 1827 – intrusion alarm, 871 Sumpter Rd.
- 1922 – suspicious person, 81 Menlo Park Dr.
- 2020 – juvenile complaint, 37 Carmell St.
- 2128 – larceny, 200 Henry
- 2242 – malicious destruction of property, 35 Carmell St.
- 2325 – family trouble, 22 Carmell St.

Tuesday, Aug. 21:

- 0045 – noise complaint, 440 Robbe St.
- 0521 – agency assist, 21 Santa Clara St.
- 0847 – lost property, 460 E. Huron River Dr.
- 1119 – assist fire dept., 275 W. Columbia Ave., Columbia Court
- 1639 – noise complaint, 129 South St.
- 1649 – malicious destruction of property, 7 South
- 1657 – property damage accident, 309 Main St.
- 1820 – intrusion alarm, 555 W. Columbia Ave.
- 1846 – suspicious person, Victory Park
- 0511 – assist fire dept., 406 Robbe St.
- 0936 – suspicious situation, 6 Main St.
- 0958 – assist fire dept., 2 San Carlos St.
- 1112 – animal complaint, 355 Main St.
- 1254 – assist fire dept., 275 W. Columbia Ave.
- 1446 – assist fire dept., 275 W. Columbia Ave.
- 1636 – larceny, 208 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 1723 – property damage accident, 6 Main St.
- 1729 – vehicle lockout, 33 Loza Ln.
- 1913 – vehicle lockout, 191 Clarence St.
- 2334 – agency assist, 46070 Lake Villa
- 1057 – found property, 6 Main St.
- 1058 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
- 1223 – follow up, 6 Main St.
- 1430 – assist fire dept., 178 Belle Villa
- 1435 – E-911 cellular, 178 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 2123 – domestic assault, 101 Carmell St.
- 2144 – welfare check, 470 E. Waterbury Ct.
- 2224 – loud party complaint, 430 Robbe St.
- 2344 – assist fire dept., 661 Greylock St.
- 0124 – misc. complaint, 178 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 0722 – misc. complaint, 61 Carmell St.
- 0938 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
- 0950 – suspicious situation, 113 Carmell St.
- 1036 – intrusion alarm, 186 S. Edgemont Ave.
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- 1557 – suspicious person, 7 South St.
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- 2007 – intrusion alarm, 501 W. Columbia, BHS
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- 0124 – suspicious person, Victory Park
- 0339 – abandoned auto, 201 Henry St.
- 2153 – breaking & entering, 169 Second St.
- 1208 – civil matter, 6 Main St.
- 1211 – civil matter, 6 Main St.
- 1314 – mental, 54 Biggs St.
- 1317 – suspicious situation, 209 Charles Ct.
- 1635 – suspicious person, 644 Huron River Dr.
- 1852 – intimidation threat, 208 Belle Villa Blvd.
- 2139 – suspicious person, Village Park
- 2234 – suspicious vehicle, Victory Park
- 2236 – assist citizen, 6 Main
- 2251 – noise complaint, 584 E. Thornhill Ct.
- Also on this week's log are 17 follow-up investigations, 32 miscellaneous details, 157 patrol checks, and 48 traffic stops.

Sunday, Aug. 19:

- 0236 – suspicious incident, 47000 bl. Bemis
- 1231 – ORV complaint, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
- 1234 – citizen assist, Willis/Rawsonville
- 1315 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
- 1537 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.
- 1551 – well-being check, Utah
- 1726 – civil dispute, Redwood
- 1918 – shots fired investigation, 41000 bl. Harris
- 2118 – juvenile complaint, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
- 2145 – civil dispute, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
- 0203 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 0741 – larceny, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 0812 – civil dispute, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 0941 – suspicious incident, 45000 bl. Kozma Rd.
- 1104 – death investigation, 45000 bl. Bontekoe

Monday, Aug. 20:

- 1245 – lost property report, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1252 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville/Wear
- 1343 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1421 – disorderly person, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
- 1450 – missing person, Dakota Ct.
- 1630 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1655 – warrant arrest, out of township
- 1743 – alarm, Oregon
- 2001 – well-being check, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.
- 2109 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 0042 – noise complaint, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 0110 – threats complaint, 5500 bl. Oakville Waltz
- 1048 – malicious destruction of property, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1448 – trespassing, Brookview
- 1526 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1837 – trespassing, Montana
- 2036 – disorderly person, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 0009 – noise complaint, Rustic Ln.
- 0806 – assist other agency, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1254 – warrant arrest, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1419 – fraud report, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
- 1618 – assist other agency, S. Huron Rd.
- 1737 – alarm, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 1854 – larceny, Utah
- 1855 – flee & elude, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 1934 – parking complaint, 18000 bl. Morton Ave.
- 2209 – shots fired investigation, 28000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 2304 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 2349 – suspicious person, Knollwood
- 0025 – civil dispute, Utah
- 0831 – suspicious vehicle, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 0836 – found property, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
- 0853 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
- 1107 – alarm, 41000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 1122 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Arkona Rd.
- 1155 – trespassing, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
- 1313 – breaking & entering report, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 1401 – fire dept. assist, Haggerty/Arkona
- 1443 – property damage accident, 8700 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
- 1624 – assist other agency, 7800 bl. Rawsonville
- 1820 – well-being check, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
- 1850 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1925 – civil dispute, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 2122 – assist other agency, Bemis/Martinsville
- 0411 – assist other agency, Oakville Waltz/Elwell
- 0717 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Oregon
- 1042 – breaking & entering report, Brookview
- 1052 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 1513 – well-being check, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 1534 – suspicious person, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
- 1809 – fire dept. assist, Arkona/Karr
- 2042 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
- 2150 – fire dept. assist, Willis/Rawsonville
- 2315 – citizen assist, Montana
- 0539 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter
- 1347 – alarm, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 1611 – property damage accident, 45000 bl. Willow
- 1636 – suspicious vehicle, Rawsonville/Willow
- 1833 – ordinance violation, 22000 bl. Sherwood
- 2224 – breaking & entering report, Brookview
- 2254 – breaking & entering report, 17000 bl. Martha Dr.
- 2319 – suspicious incident, 47000 bl. Bemis
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Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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- 1234 – citizen assist, Willis/Rawsonville
- 1315 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
- 1537 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.
- 1551 – well-being check, Utah
- 1726 – civil dispute, Redwood
- 1918 – shots fired investigation, 41000 bl. Harris
- 2118 – juvenile complaint, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
- 2145 – civil dispute, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
- 0203 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
- 0741 – larceny, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 0812 – civil dispute, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 0941 – suspicious incident, 45000 bl. Kozma Rd.
- 1104 – death investigation, 45000 bl. Bontekoe

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN REGULAR BOARD

MEETING MINUTES – AUG. 21, 2012

Supervisor White called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor White, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Ostrowski and Trustee Partridge. Absent: Trustee Jahr (excused). Trustee Ostrowski left the meeting around 9:30 p.m. Others in attendance: Public Safety Director McClanahan, Planning and Economic Development Services Director Carroll, DPW Director MacDonald, Interim Fire Chief Besson, Executive Assistant / Assessing Coordinator Stevenson, Engineer Nummer, Secretary Cline and an audience of sixty-seven (67).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Hart moved, Ostrowski seconded to approve the agenda with the removal of New Business Item # 6 “Consider the proposal of Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency to provide administrative services to the Van Buren Housing Rehabilitation Program.” Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Budd moved, Partridge seconded to approve the Consent Agenda [Work Study Session Minutes July 16, 2012; Regular Board Meeting Minutes July 17, 2012; Adoption of Resolution 2012-17, 2012 Tax Rate Request] as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: Director MacDonald and Engineer Nummer gave a brief review of the three recent water main breaks where the water tower provided water. The water tower preformed to the intended capabilities and no boil water alerts were needed.

Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce announced the Harlem Ambassadors Exhibition Basketball Team vs. Chamber Tigers on Wednesday, October 24th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the new Belleville High School Gymnasium. Also, the Annual Bridge Walk & Taste of Belleville will be held on Thursday, August 23rd. For more information contact the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce at 734-697-7151.

Supervisor White read a letter from a resident regarding emails with racial comments which was sent to Clerk Wright. Several residents commented on the letter and disagreed with the Supervisor reading this under Correspondence.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Partridge moved, Wright seconded to approve Professional Services Agreement with RTA Roofing Technology Association, LTD of Livonia, Michigan for Township Hall roof replacement project design, bidding assistance and project oversight. Carried.

Ostrowski moved, Partridge seconded to approve the contract with Wade Trim for the Ecorse Road Sanitary Sewer and Water Main

Construction Engineering. Carried.

Wright moved, Hart seconded to approve the amendment to the Construction Engineering Agreement with Wade Trim for the 2011/12 Water Main project. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Hart, Budd, Wright and White. Nays: Partridge and Ostrowski. Absent: Jahr (excused). Carried. Partridge moved, Ostrowski seconded to approve the reappointments of Raymond Bailey and Diane Madigan to the Public Safety Committee with terms to expire on July 30, 2014. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Partridge, Ostrowski, Wright, White. Nays: Hart, Budd. Absent: Jahr (excused). Carried.

Partridge moved, Wright seconded to approve the following: the appointment of Karen Moffitt as representative from Van Buren Public Schools to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) with term to expire August 12, 2015; appointment of Marcus Leon as representative from Van Buren Public Schools to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) with term to expire August 12, 2014; reappointments of Charles Covington and Chris Hayes to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) with terms to expire August 12, 2016. Carried. Budd moved, Hart seconded to approve the contract between Van Buren Township and Daniel Besson to serve as Fire Chief with the salary of \$69,000 and afford him the full time salary benefits also, to reimburse him from the time he was named Interim Chief for all his administrative duties at a rate of \$30 per hour. Carried.

VOUCHER LIST: Wright moved, Partridge seconded to approve the August 21, 2012 voucher list. Carried.

REPORTS: Supervisor White received and filed the June 2012 Budgetary Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Clerk Wright made the following announcements: A Special Primary Election will be held on Wednesday September 5th to fill the vacancy US Representative in Congress 11th District – partial term ending 1/2/2013 and due to the Special Election the Board of Trustees meeting and Work Study meeting scheduled for September 4th are both cancelled. The next regular Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 18th and Work Study on Monday, September 17th. Lastly, Van Buren Township and Recall Corporation will host a free “Shred Day” on Saturday, August 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A list of acceptable documents is posted at Van Buren website www.vanburen-mi.org and cable channel 12.

Treasurer Budd announced the POLC Dispatch and Patrol contract has been signed and thanked the Police Officers Association and their negotiating team and the Township negotiating team for their work.

Trustee Hart thanked all who participated or

helped with the Walgreens Public Safety Day.

Director McClanahan introduced new police officer Heather Vetraino and presented her with her badge.

Fire Chief Besson introduced four new probationary fire fighters Ian Skotak, Chris Roy, Seth Kleinglass and Justin Mathis. Fire Chief Besson presented badges and new shields to three fire fighters Jeff Schulz, Dave Brouillette and Josh Worth who have completed their probationary period.

Fire Chief Besson requested all Public Safety Department members who responded during the three events between August 4th and August 6th to come forward to be recognized for the great job they did during these events.

Director Wright announced the new Fall/Winter Recreation brochure is available.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): Comments were made from 9:37 p.m. to 11:22 p.m. by the Board and audience regarding the following topics: Building Department; union jobs; racist email; Ethic ordinance; cancellation of Board meeting; thank you to Public Safety Department of handling three major incidents in area; budget and request for elected officials to reduce their salaries; congratulations to primary election winners and thank you for service for to the Board members who will not move on to November General election; East Huron River Drive land problems causing flooding after grade was changed; Reserve Police Officer process and notification; racism will not be condoned by Board members; delay in recognizing Public Safety employees at tonight's board meeting; local cable access channel; Visteon Bonds; Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA); Visteon Co-Generation project request for moratorium on project or removal of site plan approval for project at the Planning Commission meeting scheduled for August 22, 2012; Planning Commission; Master Plan; three minute rule for public comment at Board meeting.

Partridge moved, Hart seconded the Board of Trustees requests the Planning Commission remove the following agenda item “Visteon Corporation/Hoosier Energy, is requesting final site plan approval, and tree permit approval to construct a landfill gas to energy project.” from the Planning Commission's agenda of August 22, 2012 until the Board of Trustees can study the item further. Trustee Partridge called for the vote. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Partridge, Hart, Budd and Wright. Nays: White. Absent: Ostrowski, Jahr (excused). Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Hart moved, Partridge seconded to adjourn at 11:22 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Paul D. White, Township Supervisor
Publish: Aug. 30, 2012

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